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RE: Comments of First Draft Interim Delta Plan

Dear Council Members:

Ironhouse Sanitary District (ISD) owns virtually all of Jersey Island. ISD has reviewed the First Draft Interim Delta Plan, June 14, 2010, and has the following comments. Please contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss these comments.

On page 10, it is stated:

Significant areas of the Delta are held as conservation lands. These include Jersey Island, Twitchell Island, and most of Sherman Island (which are owned by the state), and Staten Island and McCormack-Williamson Tract (which are owned by the Nature Conservancy).

Please delete Jersey Island from the above text. ISD is not holding Jersey Island as "conservation lands," a term which is not defined by the First Draft Interim Delta Plan. ISD acquired and holds Jersey Island for the disposal of treated wastewater and biosolids.

Also, please note that the construction of the second sentence in the above text implies that the state owns Jersey Island. As noted above, ISD owns virtually all of Jersey Island; the balance is privately owned.

On page A-8 it is stated:

Action 6.2.4: Immediately form a landowner consortium to create a new land use strategy that fosters recreation, increases habitat, reverse subsidence, sequesters carbon, improves handling of dredged material, and continues appropriate agriculture on Sherman, Twitchell, and Jersey Island.

Please delete Jersey Island from the above text. ISD has in place an existing land use strategy for Jersey Island which reflects its use for the disposal of treated wastewater and biosolids. As part of its internal planning process, ISD is evaluating the land uses mentioned in the above text.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the First Draft Interim Delta Plan and I look forward to the Second Draft Interim Plan.

Sincerely,

Tom Williams, General Manager